



By the King.

A Proclamation prohibiting the vse of Snaffles,
and commanding the vse of Bittes for Riding.



He Kings most Excellent MAIESTY, taking into His Princely thoughts, the present state of these times, and how necessary it is, that all His loving Subjects should be provided, for their owne defence, and the defence of the Realme, vpon all occasions, and sudden euents; And finding by experience, that such horses, as are to be imployed for Service, are more apt and fit to be managed by such as shal ride them being vled to the Bittes, then to the Snaffles: His Maiestie therefore, by the Advice of the Lords, and others of His Primate Counsell, hath thought fit, and doth hereby straitly charge and command, that no person or persons whatsoeuer, of what degree or condition soeuer, other then such only as His Maiestie, in respect of their attendance vpon His Royall Person, in times of disport, or otherwise, shal licence thereunto, shal from henceforth in riding, vse any Snaffles, but Bittes onely, vpon paine of His Maiesties high displeasure, and vpon such further Paines, Penalties, and Imprisonments, as by the Lawes and Statutes of this Realme of England, or by His Maiesties Prerogative Royall, can or may bee inflicted vpon the offenders, for their contempt of His Maiesties Royall Commandement in that behalfe.

Giuen at His Maiesties Court at White-Hall, the twentieth day of Nouember in the third yeere of His Highnesse Reigne of Great Britaine, France, and Ireland.

God saue the King.



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to the Kings most Excellent Maiestie.

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